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SUBJECT: TERRORIST DEVELOPMENTS

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1. SINCE THE FIRST WEEK OF APRIL TWELVE ANARCHIST/
TERRORIST PRISONERS INCARCERATED IN WEST BERLIN JAILS,
INCLUDING THE PRIME MALE 2 JUNE SUSPECTS IN THE VON DRENKMANN
AND LORENZ CASES, HAVE BEEN ON A HUNGER STRIKE AND FOR
SEVERAL DAYS THE GROUP ALSO REFUSED LIQUIDS. PRISON
AUTHORITIES CONSIDER THE PHYSICAL CONDITION OF THE THREE
FEMALE PRISONERS, WHO INITIATED THE HUNGER STRIKE ON
APRIL 1 OUT OF SYMPATHY FOR THE BAADER-MEINHOF PRISONERS
IN STAMMHEIM PRISON IN SUTTGART, AS GOOD, HOWEVER,
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AND THERE IS NO REASON YET TO CONSIDER FORCED FEEDING. OUR POLICE SOURCES PLACE LITTLE CREDENCE IN THE THREAT OF THE LOCAL TERRORIST TO PRACTICE TOTAL ABSTENTION FROM FOOD AND DRINK, INASMUCH AS ALL OF THE CELLS IN WHICH THEY ARE CONFINED HAVE RUNNING WATER, AND ALL OF THE PRISONERS HAVE RETAINED VARYING AMOUNTS OF FOOD IN THEIR CELLS.

- 2. SIMULTANEOUS WITH THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF BUBACK'S MURDER (APRIL 7), THE LAWYER OF FRITZ TEUFEL, (ONE OF THE PRISONERS ON THE HUNGER STRIKE AND A LEADER OF THE 2 JUNE MOVEMEMNT), CIRCULATED A STATEMENT IN HIS CLIENT'S NAME CALLING FOR ARMED VIOLENCE. IN THE STATEMENT SIGNED BY TEUFEL AND THE OTHER TWO JUNE PRISONERS, THEY DECLARED THEMSELVES "IN SOLIDARITY WITH ALL THOSE WHO HAVE BEGUN TO DEFENC THEMSELVES AGAINST THE VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE MISERY AND EXPLOITATION EXISTING IN FRG AND WEST BERLIN PRISONS." THE APPEAL CONCLUDED WITH THE DEMAND FOR THEIR SUPPORTERS TO ENGAGE "IN AN ANTI-IMPERIALIST, ARMED STRUGGLE AGAINST FRASCHISM AND MIDDLE-CLASS TERROR." POLICE AND JUSTICE AUTHORITIES HAVE TAKEN THIS STATEMENT QUITE SERIOUSLY, SINCE TEUFEL'S POSITION AND STATUS IN LOCAL ANARCHIST/ TERRORIST CIRCLES COMMANDS CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION FROM FELLOW SYMPATHIZERS, AND HIS CALL TO VIOLENCE IN CONJUNCTION WITH BUBACK'S ASSASSINATION, COULD SPARK A DEGREE OF COORDINATION AMONG THE VARIOUS GERMAN TERRORIST GROUPS. AND MIGHT BE THE SIGNAL FOR FURTHER ACTS OF VIOLENCE LOCALLY.
- 3. THE BUBACK SLAYING HAS RESULTED IN IMPLEMENTATION OF INCREASED SECURITY MEASURES FOR PROTECTION OF JUSTICE AND OTHER GOVERNMENTAL OFFICIALS IN BERLIN. THESE MEASURES ARE BEING CONTINUALLY REVIEWED BY THE POLICE AND WILL BE STRENGTHENED WHENEVER THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SECURITY SITUATION SO REQUIRES. JUSTICE AUTHORITIES CONSIDER THE SECURITY MEASURES IN EFFECT AT THE SEVERAL FACILITIES HOUSING BERLIN'S TERRORIST PRISONERS TO BE ADEQUATE FOR ANY FORESEEABLE CONTINGENCY, AND NO REINFORCEMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY AT THIS TIME. GEORGE

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